Reservation of vacancies for SC/ST for promotion

1062. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a reservation of 15 per cent and 7½ per cent of the vacancies for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes respectively in promotion on the basis of seniority subject to fitness in all Groups, i.e. Groups A, B, C and D (formerly classes, I, II, III and IV) (in all the cases) in grades or services; if so what are the latest orders/instructions of the Central Government in this regard;

(b) whether appointment to the selection Grade of Group A, i.e. class I on the basis of seniority subject to fitness of those in the junior grade of class I is also covered by these orders; and

(c) if so, what is the machinery evolved to ensure strict implementation/compliance of these orders?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) There is reservation at 15% for scheduled castes and 7½ per cent for scheduled tribes, in promotions made on the basis of seniority subject to fitness in appointments to all Group A, B, C and D Services (formerly Classes I, II, III & IV), in grades or services in which the element of direct recruitment, if any, does not exceed 66-2/3%; the latest orders of the Central Government in this regard are contained in Deptt. of Personnel & Administrative Reforms O.M.No. 36021/7/75-Estt. (SCT) dated 25.2.76. Copy of this order is enclosed as Statement(*See* below).

(b) The appointment to the selection grade of Group A on the basis of seniority subject to fitness would be covered by the above orders wherever such appointment is made by promotions on the basis of seniority subject to fitness.

(c) A 40 point roster allocating specific points for Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe has been prescribed and all appointments made by promotion in a grade where reservations apply are to be entered in this roster. Every Ministry has been asked to appoint a Liaison Officer, not below the rank of Deputy Secretary who has to inspect the rosters annually. It has also been laid down that instances of discrimination or deliberate infraction of the order relating to reservation and concessions in favour of Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe employees could be brought to the notice of appropriate authorities for suitable action. Ministries/Departments etc. have been requested to ensure that wherever cases of such nature are brought to the notice of appropriate authroties suitable action is taken on them promptly.

Statement

Department of Personnel & A.R.O.M. No. 36021/7/75-Estt (SCT) dated the 25th February, 1976 to all Mnistries etc.

Subject:—Reservations for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in posts filled by promotion-applicability to grades or services in which the element of direct recruitment does not exceed 66-2/3%.

The questoin of enlarging the scope of the existing scheme of reservations for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in posts filled by promotion by extending them to grades or services in which the element of direct recruitment is not more than 66-2/3% (as against the existing limit of 50%) has

been under the consideration of Government. Under the existing orders reservations have been provided at 15% and 7½% of the vacancies for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes respectively (i) in promotions through limited departmental competitive examinations in Groups B, C and D (formerly Classes II, III and IV), (ii) in promotions by selection in Groups B, C and D (formerly Class II, III and IV) and from 'B' (Class II) to the lowest rung of Group 'A' (Class I) and (iii) in promotion on the basis of seniority subject to fitness in all Groups i.e. Groups A, B, C and D (formerly Classes I, II, III and IV) (in all these cases), in grades or services in which the element of direct recruitment, if any, does not exceed 50% vide orders in para 2A and 2B(b) of the Ministry of Home Affairs (Now Department of Personnel and Administrative Reforms) Office Memorandum No. 1/12/67-Estt. (C) dated 11-7-1968 read with Office Memorandum No. 27/25/68-Estt. (SCT) dated 25-3-1970, Office Memorandum No. 27/2/71-Estt. (SCT) dated 27-11-1972 and Office Memorandum No. 10/41/73-Estt. (SCT) dated 20-7-1974. It has now been decided in partial modification of these orders, that the reservations in posts filled by promotion under the existing scheme as indicated above should be made applicable even to grades or services, in which the element of direct recruitment, if any, does not exceed 66-2/3%.

The above instructions take effect from the date of issue of these orders except where a Select List for promotion under the relevant orders has already been prepared by the Departmental Promotion Committee and approved by the appropriate authority, before the date of issue of these orders.

Ministry of Finance etc. are requested to bring the above decision to the notice of all concerned.

In so far as persons serving in the Indian Audit and Accounts Department are concerned, these orders issue in consultation with the Comptroller and Auditor General of India.

Setting up of science labs

1063. PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any new science labs have been established during the sixth and seventh five year plans;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether non establishment of science labs is a set back in the promotion of science programmes in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Seizure of papers from Harsh Chadha

1064. SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE:

SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the papers seized from Harsh Chandha on March 18, 1988 this year at Delhi airport contain a photocopy of the duplicate passport of Win Chadha;

(b) according to this passport which are the countries which he has visited since June 8, 1987 and what are the dates thereof;